



# Senior Services News

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**TO:** Providers of Pharmaceutical Services – For Action  
Health Maintenance Organizations – For Information Only

**SUBJECT:** Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (PAAD) and  
Senior Gold Discount Claims Processing Information

**EFFECTIVE:** Immediately

**PURPOSE:** To remind providers of appropriate claims processing procedures  
for PAAD and Senior Gold members.

**BACKGROUND:** The Division of Aging Services (DoAS) would like to remind pharmacy service providers of the benefits available to NJ residents under the Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (PAAD) and Senior Gold Discount (SG) programs.

The PAAD copay will be \$5 for each PAAD covered generic drug prescription and \$7 for each PAAD covered brand name drug prescription. Beneficiaries may pay less for medications if their Medicare prescription drug plan charges them less than the designated PAAD copays. For SG, the copay will be \$15 plus half the remaining cost of the copay returned by the Medicare Part D plan.

PAAD cards are distinguished by their yellow color and the ID number begins with '6'. Senior Gold cards are white and the ID number begins with '7'. The '01' following each ID number represents the Person Code.

Processing information for both cards is as follows: BIN=610515, PCN=PAAD Group numbers are not required for either program. That field should remain blank.

**Please remember to submit pharmacy claims using the PAAD/SG cards secondary to any primary insurance the member may have.**

PAAD and SG do not assist with the copays on all pharmaceutical products. The following are not covered by PAAD/SG:

- Medications not covered by primary insurance. PAAD/SG will only provide wrap around benefits for medications paid for by Medicare Part D or a Prescription Drug Plan,

- Medications in which coverage is excluded by Medicare Part D regulations,
- Medications purchased at retail pharmacies outside the State of New Jersey, and,
- Medications whose manufacturer has not agreed to provide rebates to the State of New Jersey.

Please refer to the Division of Aging website at <https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas> for additional eligibility related information.

Medicare enrollees in 2025 will also be given the option to pay their prescription drug costs in the form of capped monthly payments instead of a single payment at the pharmacy using the Medicare Prescription Payment Plan. While this payment option may help manage monthly expenses, it will not save our beneficiaries money or lower their drug costs. Without proper billing, this option **may actually cost PAAD/SG beneficiaries more.**

**ACTION:** Please remind NJ residents that programs, such as PAAD and Senior Gold, are available to help with copays at the pharmacy on all covered medications and to assist with the monthly premium on select Medicare Part D plans for PAAD members.

Please remember to submit pharmacy claims using the PAAD/SG cards on prescriptions for PAAD/SG beneficiaries. PAAD/SG is to be billed **secondary** to any primary insurance the member may have.

If a beneficiary enrolls in a Medicare Prescription Payment Plan, then all transactions must be processed through their Medicare Part D plan as primary, then PAAD/SG as secondary, and finally to the Medicare Prescription Payment Plan Bank. If this is not billed in the proper order, then the final patient responsibility amount may not be reported correctly.

PAAD/SG eligibility information should be posted in all pharmacies in a location accessible to the general public. More information is available through the NJ Save website: <https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas/services/l-p/njsave/>

Direct any questions concerning eligibility requirements to the Division of Aging Services, Office of State Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, P.O. Box 715, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0715.

If there are any questions regarding this Newsletter, please contact the PAAD program at 1-800-792-9745.

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